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REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending in the present application.

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

Group I, claims 1-9, drawn to a semiconductor device; and

Group II, claims 10-13, drawn to a method of using a semiconductor device.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-9. The traversal is based on MPEP section 821.04 entitled "Rejoinder." The Examiner is reminded that "if applicant elects claims directed to the product, and a product claim is subsequently found allowable, withdrawn process claims which depend from or otherwise include all the limitations of the allowable product claim will be rejoined."

Favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Marc S. Weiner, Registration No 32,181 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

Ш	Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.	
	Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.	

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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